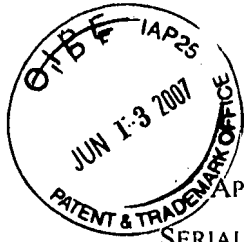


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 27, 2006 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This paper is in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 27, 2006. A Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time and the required fee are filed herewith. Applicants also submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and the required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). With extension, these documents are due on or before June 27, 2007.

Applicants believe no additional fees are due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 20363-011CON.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks are shown starting on page 7 of this paper.